

City of Blue Lake
City Council
Skinner Store – 111 Greenwood Ave., Blue Lake, CA
October 11, 2016
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Adelene Jones, John Sawatzky, Michele McCall-Wallace, Jean Lynch, Stephen Kullmann

Councilmembers Absent: None

Staff Present: City Manager Amanda Mager, City Clerk April Sousa

Motion to Approve the Agenda

Councilmember Jones *motioned to approve the agenda as stated*. Councilmember Kullmann seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Input

Kent Sawatzky, Blue Lake Resident, commented on two upcoming items on the November 8, 2016 election.

Proclamation Domestic Violence Awareness Month

There was no one available to accept the proclamation.

Councilmember Jones *motioned to authorize the mayor to sign the proclamation, after changes in typographical errors, and to proclaim October Domestic Violence Awareness Month*. Councilmember Kullmann seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Mayor McCall-Wallace read the Proclamation.

County of Humboldt Presentation on the Commercial Cannabis Cultivation Excise Tax

Amy Nielson, County Administrator Officer for the County of Humboldt, gave a presentation on Measure S involving the Commercial Cannabis Cultivation Excise Tax.

Council was able to ask clarifying questions. Members of the public asked clarifying questions and spoke in opposition and in favor of the tax.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 521: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake Prohibiting Nonmedical Marijuana Uses and Activities

Mayor McCall-Wallace gave an overview of the item. Clarifying questions were asked regarding the Ordinance in relation to Proposition 64 on the November 8, 2016 ballot.

Councilmember Kullmann *motioned for a first reading of Ordinance 521: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake Prohibiting Nonmedical Marijuana Uses and Activities by title only*.

Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: McCall-Wallace, Kullmann, Sawatzky, Lynch, Jones

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Discussion on Timeline for Regulatory Framework to Address the Provisions of Proposition 64 - The Adult Use of Marijuana Act as Proposed on the November Ballot

An overview of the item was given. After Council had a brief discussion, the public was able to comment. There was a desire for more public input on the issue. Council consensus was to wait and have the new Council address this topic in January.

Public Safety Commission Annual Safety Meeting - Postponement Request

Mayor McCall-Wallace gave an overview of the item as the Commission Liaison.

Councilmember Jones *motioned to postpone the annual meeting until spring 2017*. Councilmember Kullmann seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Use/Parking at the Horse Arena, Located at the Corner of Broderick and Chartin Way

City Manager Mager gave an overview of the documents discovered and the historical background available. Councilmember Lynch also gave an overview of documents she was able to find on the subject.

After a lengthy discussion, designating the area as parking for horse arena use/horse trailer use was agreed upon. Council directed staff to contact PARSAC, the City's Risk Managers, as well as the Planner regarding signage and placement and to bring back a recommendation for consideration. It was suggested that the Saddle Club be a part of the conversation regarding signage as well.

Council Meeting Calendar Dates for November and December 2016

After a discussion of Calendar Dates, Councilmember Kullmann *motioned to cancel the regular meetings for November 8, 2016 and December 27, 2016*. Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

City Council Letter to Businesses with Trucks Utilizing the Greenwood/Hatchery Business and Trucking Route through Blue Lake

It was noted that both past and present City Managers have sent letters to those using the truck route in the past, and that there still seems to be negative impact of those using the road, with regards to speeds of the trucks, excessive frequency of some trucks without prior notice, and debris from the trucks messing up the road. Council discussed the option of writing a letter coming from the Council body regarding this matter.

Councilmember Jones *motioned to direct Mayor McCall-Wallace and Mayor Pro-Tem Kullmann to draft the letter concerning these issues*. Councilmember Lynch seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The City Manager will send a list of the trucking companies to Councilmember/Mayor Pro-Tem Kullmann.

Meet the Candidates Event Facilitated by the League of Women Voters

Mayor McCall-Wallace gave an overview of the item. A possible date was discussed of November 2, 2016 and Council directed staff to complete the arrangements with the Mad River Grange and the League of Women Voters to get this event facilitated, and proper announcement of the event to take place.

Consent Agenda

Councilmember Lynch pulled item d - City of Blue Lake Personnel Policy. Mayor McCall-Wallace pulled item e - Agreement for Services with Blue Lake Rancheria for Bus Transportation.

Councilmember Jones *motioned to accept Consent Agenda items a-Minutes from September 27, 2016, b-Set Public Hearing for Unmet Transit Needs, and c-Humboldt Weed Management Area Statement of Ongoing Affirmation*. Councilmember Kullmann seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

City of Blue Lake Personnel Policy

It was noted that the update of the policy has been in the works since 2013. A few items were noted as needing to be changed. Council directed staff to see that the changes are made and brought back for further consideration.

Agreement for Services with Blue Lake Rancheria for Bus Transportation

This item was originally placed on the agenda as staff hoped it would be ready for council final consideration. It was not yet ready, and therefore not available to review.

Public gave comment on unmet transit needs, asking for expanded service times. Council let those in public know that the date was just passed as part of the Consent Agenda, and that a formal hearing for unmet transit needs would take place on October 25, 2016.

Reports of Council and Staff

Councilmember Kullmann commented on the information he presented in the agenda packet regarding Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA) Request for Offers. It was noted that comments regarding this could also go to Councilmember Lynch as the liaison to RCEA.

Councilmember Sawatzky had nothing to report.

Councilmember Lynch had nothing to report.

Councilmember Jones noted that she would be attending the Humboldt Waste Management Authority meeting later that week and announced the Wha-nikas Salad Luncheon on October 20, 2016 from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Mayor McCall-Wallace reported that she would be attending the Humboldt County Association of Governments meeting the following week.

City Manager Mager reported on the recent prosperity group meeting.

Future Agenda Items

- Financials at next Meeting
- Corporation Yard Options
- Formal Thank you to the Scouts and the Saddle Club
- Subcommittee reports - Homeless issues, Fundraising committee, Friends of the Park
- Grant funding for next steps in Business Park

Correspondence

None.

Motion to Adjourn

Councilmember Kullmann *motioned to adjourn*. Councilmember Sawatzky seconded. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

April Sousa
City Clerk